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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on December 22, 2004, applicant elects the invention of Group II, claims 12-15 and 19-28, and the species of polyguanidyl conjugate of Example 3, the structure of which is provided on page 30 of the specification, for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis. The election is made without traverse.

Applicants note that claim 12 has been amended to recite the limitations of claim 1 and new claims 19-28, all of which depend from claim 12, have been added. All of the

new claims belong to Group II and are elected herewith.

Enclosed is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the Restriction Requirement for one month, to and including February 22, 2005, and a check in payment of the required extension fee.

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